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DACEK JOINS GERMANTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB AT OPENING OF NEW FACILITY

Councilmember Nancy Dacek today hailed the opening of the new Germantown site of the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Washington, located at 19910 South Frederick Road in Germantown.

The 11,000-square-foot facility includes child care, homework clubs, teen clubs, a computer lab, basketball courts, and many more organized recreational programs. Already an average of 180 children a day use the Club.

"I am thrilled to have this wonderful program finally open its doors to Germantown children." said Councilmember Dacek.

Dacek worked closely over the past two years with the Club to find a viable property for the new facility and with the community to address their concerns and needs, in particular safety of access for children using the Club.

"The Club will serve as an afternoon bus stop for Daly and Fox Chapel elementary schools, Martin Luther King and Neelsville middle schools, and Seneca Valley High School. In addition, pedestrian signals at Route 355 and Middlebrook Road have been installed, police patrols will work to advance pedestrian safety, and a speed monitor trailer will be staffed.

"The communities around here are excited, and there is a great need for this program. We welcome the Boys and Girls Club with open arms and I look forward to working with the Club as it continues to grow."

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